

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment simply seeks to correct an incomplete citation in the specification. No new matter has been added.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully urged.

Respectfully submitted,

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Page 7, Paragraph [0026]:

[0026] In early (as well as late) diabetic retinopathy, capillary occlusions are seen; this is generally thought to cause ischemia and to be the underlying cause of further damage in diabetic retinopathy. CAIs dilate the retinal vasculature [Harris et al., *Acta Ophthalmol. Scandinavica*, 74, 569-572 (1996)] and should prevent or re-open occluded retinal capillaries.